Shortage of power in U.P.

1611. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an acute shortage of power in the State of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the actual demand and supply of power at present in the State;

(c) the details of the power projects being run with the World Bank assistance in Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) the details of concrete steps being taken by Government to improve the supply of power in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The present power supply position in Uttar Pradesh is given below:

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Energy (MU)		Peak(MW)	
Requirement	3940	Peak Demand	6665
Availability	3156	Peak Met	5577
Shortage	784	Deficit	1088
%age	19.9	%age	16.3

(c) The details of power generating projects in U.P. which have been constructed with the assistance of World Bank are mentioned below:

Name of the Project	Capacity (MW)	State/Executing Agency	Foreign Funding Agency
1. Auriya Gas Based Project	652	UP/NTPC	IBRD
2. National Capital Power, Dadrl	840	UP/NTPC	IBRD
3. Singraull Thermal Power Project	2000	UP/NTPC	IDA

(d) In order to mitigate power shortage in the State, the following steps are being taken:

(i) Besides capacity addition of 710 MW in State Sector in UP, generation capacity of 7340 MW is proposed to be set up by Central Power Sector undertakings in Northern Region during 10th Plan in which U.P. will have its entitlements.

(ii) Implementation of Renovation, Modernization and Life extension (R&M&LE). Schemes for old and inefficient generating units for overall improvement in generation performance. Power Finance Corporation have disbursed loan of Rs. 217.22 crores for Renovation, Modernisation and Life extension of power projects located in U.P. under Accelerated Generation and Supply Programme during 9th Plan. Under this scheme interest subsidy @4% was provided to the power utilities.

(iii) Enhancement in evacuation of surplus power from Eastern region to other regions including Northern region of which U.P. is a constituent by setting up of inter-regional links. Recently, Sasaram HVDC back-to-back station has been commissioned which has facilitated transfer of 500 MW from Eastern region to Northern region in a synchronous mode. U.P. is also a beneficiary of Eastern region power.

(iv) Promoting energy efficiency and energy conservation measures.

Besides above, Government of U.P./State Power Utility should strengthen its financial position so that it is able to draw its full entitled share in central generating stations of Northern region which will augment availability of power in the State.

Investment in Power Sector during the Ninth Five Year Plan

1612. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the total investment made in power sector during the Ninth Five Year Plan in the State of Assam;

(b) the details of target fixed for the same in the State during the Tenth Plan; and